

## **New Kids on the Block**

### **Mayor Names New Planning Director**



**Richard W. Dineen, AIA**

Richard Dineen was recently appointed Director of the City's Planning Department by Mayor Martin J. Chavez.

Richard has been an Albuquerque resident since 1950 when his family

moved to Albuquerque from Ohio. Richard attended local schools and is a graduate of Highland High School and the University of New Mexico where he received a Bachelors degree in University Studies and a Masters degree in Architecture. Richard is a registered architect in New Mexico and is a member of the American Institute of Architects.

Richard has over thirty-five years of public and private experience in urban land planning and development. He worked for the City of Albuquerque for over 27 years until his retirement in 2002.

Richard has over seven years experience as a private consultant and has worked for various local planning and architecture firms including Denish Kline & Associates, de la Torre Rainhart PA, Fanning, Bard, Tatum, PA, and Ron Shafer & Associates.

In 2003 Richard returned to work in the Planning Department at the request of Mayor Chavez as the Associate Director of the One Stop Shop.

Richard is married to local artist Liz Dineen and lives on Albuquerque's westside.

### **New Aviation Director Named for City of Albuquerque**

Mayor Martin Chavez has appointed John D. "Mike" Rice director of the City of Albuquerque's Aviation Department. In this role, Rice oversees all facets of operations and management

for the Albuquerque International Sunport and Double Eagle II Airport.

A retired brigadier general in the New Mexico Air National Guard, Rice most recently worked for the Aviation Department of the New Mexico Department of Highways and Transportation, where he was director of the Aviation Division since 1997. In that position, he was responsible for developing and maintaining a safe and efficient airport system for the



**Mike Rice,  
Aviation Director**

entire state. Rice also helped the Transportation Security Administration develop security guidelines and recommendations for general aviation airports, as well as develop an emergency communication system. In addition, he is a FAA-certified airport inspector.

From 1999 to 2002, Rice served as co-chairman of the United States Air Force Air Space and Ranges Council for the Southwest Region, organizing and leading regular regional conferences on national air space issues involving the FAA and other public agencies and military branches. He was the 2003 chairman of the National Association of State Aviation Officials and is a director of the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta. Rice has also held management positions with the Hilton Inns in Albuquerque and Santa Fe and owned El Pueblo Lodge in Taos, New Mexico for 10 years.

In addition to his extensive airside management experience, Rice has more than 30 years of experience flying military, civilian and state aircraft. He also flies balloons and gliders.

### **EDO Hearing Rescheduled**

The Environmental Planning Commission (EPC) Public Hearing on the East Downtown Master Plan (Edo) requests scheduled for Wednesday, May 12, 2004 at 2 p.m. has been rescheduled to:

**Thursday, June 10, 2004 at 2 p.m.  
at the Albuquerque Convention Center**

The public hearing will be held in the Picuris / Sandia Rooms located on the basement level of the Westside (older portion) of the Convention Center, 401 Second Street NW.

This rescheduling of this hearing is in response to stated concerns of area residents and other interested parties. Stated concerns include the need for a facilitated meeting and the need for more time to review/comment on the submitted requests and on the Planning Department staff reports. **The facilitated meeting will be held Monday, May 24, 2004, at 7:00 p.m. at the Loma Linda Community Center, 1700 Yale Boulevard SE.**

Notification of this hearing (a supplement to the original notice) will be published in the Albuquerque Journal at least 15 days prior to the hearing. This supplementary notification will specify all component requests that are part of the Edo Master Plan application submittal to the EPC, including the establishment of an Urban Conservation Overlay Zone, amendments to the Huning Highland Sector Development Plan (text and map) and amendments to the Downtown 2010 Plan (boundaries and zone map).

The request to reschedule the May 12, 2004 hearing has been initiated by the Planning Department.

A supplementary staff report package from the Planning Department will be distributed to the EPC by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, June 3, 2004 and made available to the public by 4 p.m. on that day at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of the Plaza Del Sol Building. All interested parties are encouraged to submit written comments to the EPC (care of the Planning Department) by 9:00 AM Monday, May 31, 2004, so that the material is included and addressed in the supplemental staff reports. All written materials must arrive at the Planning Department offices by 2 p.m. on Tuesday, June 8, 2004 in order to be considered by the EPC on June 10. For further information, contact EPC secretary April Candelaria at **924-3886**, or **924-3339** (fax).

**EPC Hearing Notice**

Publication of EPC hearing notices in the *Albuquerque Journal* will now occur on the **Wednesday - 22 days prior** to the public hearing on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month**. The hearing notice includes the time, place and date of the hearing along with a brief description of each application on the agenda. Previously, hearing notices were published 15 days before the public hearing. The reason for this change is to meet the advertising requirements for EPC study sessions which occur on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month. Rather than advertising the hearing and study session separately, a single notice will be prepared to advertise both. Contact the Planning Department at **924-3860** if you have questions.

**Neighborhood Alert** – Be aware that public comments at EPC Meetings have a time limitation due to the length of the EPC Hearings. Call Don Newton at **924-3906** if you have questions. **48-Hour Rule of the EPC:** All written materials and other documents shall be submitted to the Planning Dept. no later than **9 a.m.** on the **Tuesday** of the Public Hearing week. For an Appeal Hearing – no communication with EPC is allowed within five days of the Public Hearing.

**In order to make maximum use of the following information please note:**

- Scan the entire list to see if your neighborhood association has a case this month.
- The name and phone number of the developer/agent is listed so that you can easily contact them should you have any questions.
- The assigned staff planner is identified with each agenda item should you need additional information (i.e., check on the actual placement of your case on the agenda). All staff may be reached at **924-3860**.
- On the day of the Hearing, call Planning at **924-3860** and the receptionist will give you the status of the Hearing.
- Staff reports are available at the Planning Office beginning at **3 p.m.** on the **Thursday** prior to the EPC Hearing.

**On the 2nd Thursday of each month**, the EPC has a Study Session to review the applications scheduled for the all-day public hearing which occurs on the **3rd Thursday of each month**. As with the Public Hearing, **the public is invited** to attend the Study Sessions; however, Study Sessions do not provide an open forum. Discussion is limited to staff and the EPC. Study Sessions regularly begin at 4 p.m. in the Plaza del Sol Hearing Room. Please call the Planning Department at **924-3860** to confirm the Study Session schedule as adjustments are made occasionally.

Please note that the **Pre-Hearing Meeting** will be held on **Wednesday, May 26, 2004 at 1:30 p.m.** in the Planning Conference Room, Third Floor. The **EPC Public Hearing** will be held on **Thursday, June 17, 2004 at 8:30 a.m.** in the Hearing Room for the following cases:

**Citywide**

**All neighborhoods; 04EPC-00692, Project # 1001620;** The Advanced Planning Division of the City of Albuquerque, Requests a Text Amendment to the Comprehensive City Zoning Code to create Sections 14-16-2-30 and 14-16-2-31 for MU-1 and MU-2 Mixed Uses zones; Makita Hill at **924-3879**.

**All neighborhoods; 04EPC-00695, Project # 1002403;** The Advanced Planning Division of the City of Albuquerque, Requests an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan in various sections to allow for higher residential densities and building scale within the City limits; Amendment to create Sections 14-16-2-30 and 14-16-2-31 for MU-1 and MU-2 Mixed Uses zones; Makita Hill at **924-3879**.

**Northeast**

**No association (neighborhood association); 04EPC-00684 & 00685, Project # 1003421 (case #'s);** Approximately 13 acres located on the west side of Union Way NE, north of Montano Road NE; (**location of request**); F-16 (**zone atlas page #**); Consensus Planning at **764-9801**, agent for First Family Church (**applicant or agency and phone #**) Requests a Zone Map amendment from SU-1 for R-3 to SU-1 for Church and Related Uses plus approval of a Site Development Plan for Building Permit (**action requested**); Elvira Lopez at **924-3910**. (**city staff planner**).

**Alvarado Park, Classic Uptown, East End Historical, Inez, Jerry Cline Park, Quigley Park, Snow Heights, Winrock South, Uptown Progress Team, Zuni, New Kimo; 04EPC-00687 & 00688, Project # 1003422;** Approximately 1 acre located on the north side of Indian School Road NE, between Pennsylvania NE and Morrow NE; H-19; Consensus Planning at **764-9801**, agent for Sunrooms Plus; Requests a Zone Map amendment from SU-2 for R-2 and O-1 to SU-2 for R-2 and C-2 plus an amendment to the Uptown Sector Development Plan; Juanita Vigil at **924-3349**.

**Alvarado Park, Classic Uptown, East End Historical, Inez, Jerry Cline Park, Quigley Park, Snow Heights, Winrock South, Uptown Progress Team, Zuni, New Kimo; 04EPC-00690 & 00691, Project # 1000551;** Approximately 4 acres located on the southwest corner of Indian School Road NE and Americas Parkway NE, J-18; DAC Enterprises at **294-5243**, agent for Mohamed Kassam, Requests approvals of Site Development Plans for Subdivision Purposes and for Building Permit on land zoned SU-3 Uptown Sector Plan; Carmen Marrone at **924-3814**.

**Cibola Addition, La Villita HOA; 04EPC-00697, Project # 1001899;** Approximately 2 acres on the east side of La Villita Road NE, south of Candelaria Road NE; H-23; Brasher & Lorenz at **888-6088**, agent for Tipton & Associates; Request approval of a Site Development Plan for Subdivision Purposes on land zoned SU-1 for PRD (Planned Residential Development) with 8 lots; Carmen Marrone at **924-3814**.

**Silver Hill, Spruce Park, Sycamore; 04EPC-00699, Project # 1003212;** Approximately 1 acre located on the southwest corner of University NE and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. NE; K-15; John Menicucci at **247-0444**, agent for Grand Avenue Partners; Request approval of a Site Development Plan for Building Permit on land zoned SU-2 MC; Debbie Stover at **924-3940**.

**Northwest**

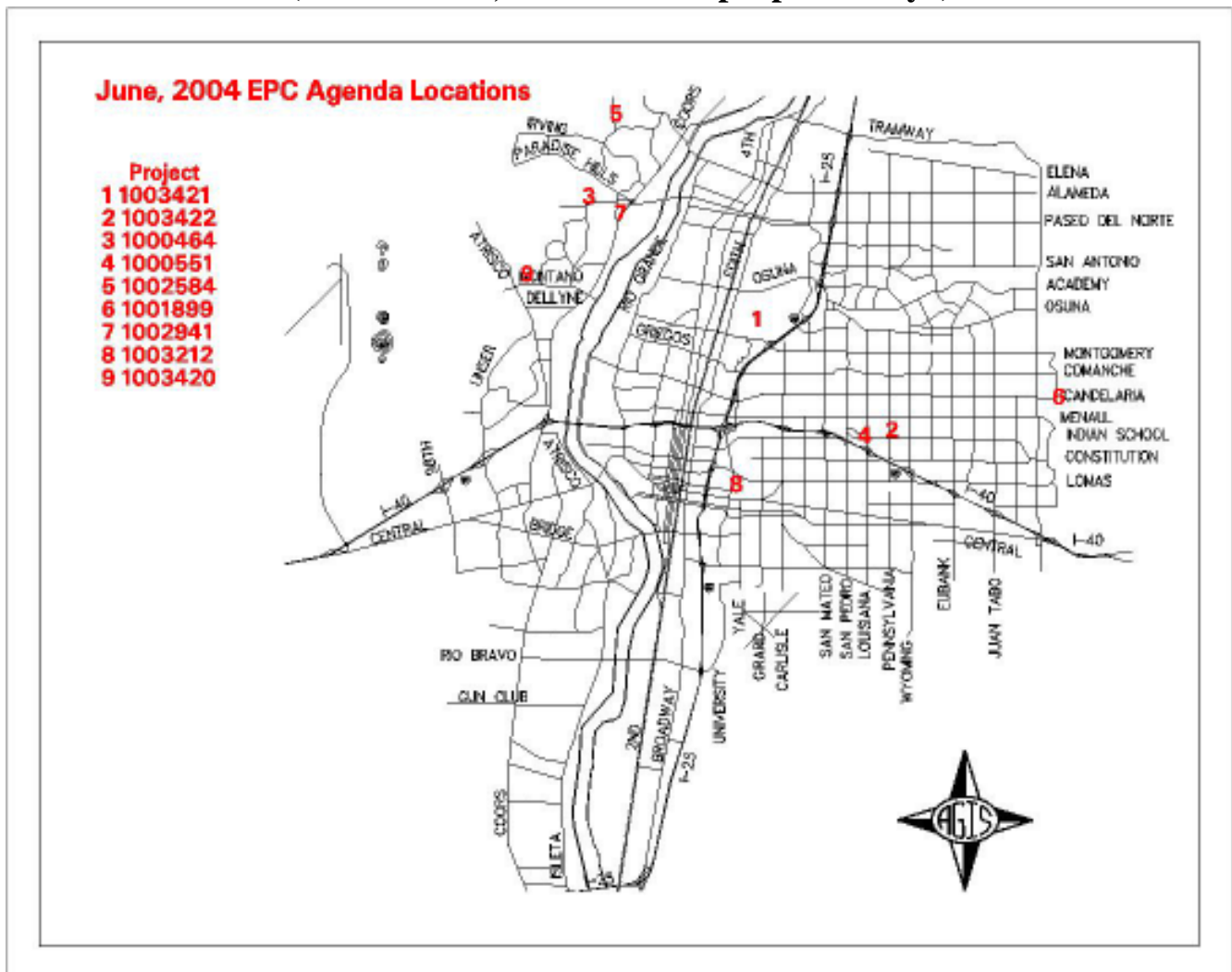
**Taylor Ranch; 04EPC-00682, Project # 1003420;** Approximately 5 acres located on the north side of Montano Road NW, east of Unser NW; E-10; Consensus Planning at **764-9801**, agent for The Strosnider Group; Requests a Zone Map amendment from C-2 (Shopping Center) to R-LT; Elvira Lopez at **924-3910**.

**Las Terrazas, Piedras Marcadas, Paradise Hills, Rancho Sereno, Richland Hills, Taylor Ranch; 04EPC-00689, Project # 1000464;** Approximately 7 acres located near the northwest corner of Paseo del Norte NW and Golf Course Road NW, C-12; Tierra West at 858-3100, agent for CA New Mexico; Requests a Zone Map amendment from SU-1 IP Uses with Exceptions to SU-1 for C-1 with Packaged Liquor; Elvira Lopez at 924-3910.

**Cottonwood Heights, Horizon Hills, Paloma del Sol, Paradise Heights, Saragossa; 04EPC-00696, Project # 1002584;** Approximately 20 acres located on the northwest corner of Golf Course Road NW and McMahon NW; A-12; The Design Group at **242-6880**, agent for Sandia Health Hospital; Requests approval of a Site Development Plan for Building Permit on land zoned SU-1 for Hospital and Related Uses; Carmen Marrone at **924-3814**.

**Alban Hills, Coors Trail, Rancho Sereno, Taylor Ranch; 04EPC-00698, 700, 701, project # 1002941;** Approximately 5 acres located near the southwest corner of Eagle Ranch Road NW and Coors NW, C-12; Community Sciences at **897-000**, agent for the Ruiz Trust; Requests a Zone Map amendment from RA-1 to SU-1 for C-1 & O-1 including Liquor for on premise consumption; Russell Brito at **924-3337**.

**EPC Case Reference Map**  
(\*Not to scale, for reference purposes only\*)



# CITY SCOOP

## News From City Departments



### COUNTY-CITY UNIFICATION 2004 Charter Commission Begins Work

The people of Bernalillo County will cast their votes for or against a new charter for unified government again this November. As required by the State Constitutional amendment establishing the process, another charter is being drafted by a group of eleven appointees serving as the 2004 Unification Charter Commission (UCC). The UCC meets every two weeks in the City/County Government Center and will also hold additional meetings in different community locations this summer. Meetings and agendas are published online at: <[www.abcucc.net](http://www.abcucc.net)> or you can call Sandy Chavez in the Council office at 768-3147 for more information. Here are some frequently asked questions about unification and the UCC.

**Q:** *When did unification work begin?*

**A:** Unification, also called consolidation, is not a new idea here. The State Constitution was amended in 1949 to allow combined city – county corporations. Statutes were adopted in 1953 that established a procedure for separate votes in unincorporated and incorporated areas on a new charter. In 1959 and again in 1973 unification votes failed. Consolidation Study Committees formed in 1983 and 1990 met with strong opposition from unincorporated residents. Recent efforts began again in 2000 with passage of a Constitutional Amendment to change the unification process to a single county-wide charter vote.

**Q:** *What is a “Charter?”*

**A:** A charter is a document that grants specified rights, powers, privileges, or functions from the sovereign power of a state to an individual, corporation, city, or other unit of local organization. In our case, the New Mexico Constitution now provides that City and County residents

may adopt a charter for a unified local government. The charter will provide for the form of government and distribution of legislative and executive powers.

**Q:** *What is “Unification?”*

**A:** Unification refers to the process of combining two or more governments into one.

**Q:** *Why is there interest in this?*

**A:** Nationally, the desire to achieve greater efficiencies in service provision, the need to protect or improve local tax bases, and demands for increased responsiveness and accountability of local governments have led to unification. The City and County now operate under dozens of joint powers agreements intended to formalize shared responsibility and decrease duplication.

**Q:** *What will happen to the existing City and County governments if a charter is adopted?*

**A:** The Charter will establish a new government and provide for a transition from the old governments to the new. The services provided by each entity will continue to be provided by the new government. The transition wording developed for the charter will address the effective date of the charter and such matters as remaining terms of elected officials and enforcement of differing regulations and laws.

**Q:** *What will unification do to my services?*

**A:** *City and County staff anticipate no short term impacts on service delivery from unification. During the transition period the aim will be to combine administrative and material resources of departments delivering similar services. The new governing body may eventually change policies in order to respond to changing public priorities.*

**Q:** *What will the charter and unification do to my taxes?*

**A:** Tax assessment and collection will continue unchanged by the Charter

itself, however, the Charter may contain language addressing different tax rates for different areas. For example, the government of Lexington-Fayette created separate tax districts for the previously unincorporated areas so that residents were not taxed for urban services they didn’t receive. Similarly, this Charter may designate districts within which property owners are taxed at differing rates.

**Q:** *What will happen to County regulations in the unincorporated areas? Will we have to follow City law if we unify governments?*

**A:** No. Ordinances and resolutions will continue in force and effect until and unless changed by the new government.

**Q:** *Will unification cause urbanization? What will become of rural lifestyles in the unincorporated area?*

**A:** There are multiple forces of change that result in urbanization - some of which are not within the control of local government. Unification will not have a direct or immediate impact on those forces and growth projections for the region will not vary based on unification. The degree of unified government’s control over construction growth will depend, as it does today, on the power provided to local government by the State and on the decisions of elected officials.

**Q:** *Will the unified government save money?*

**A:** It is likely that in the short term there will be additional government costs associated with the transition to a new government. However, experience of other communities suggest longer term efficiencies. A study of the local costs and benefits of unification is being conducted by the Bureau of Business and Economic Research and results will be available in August.

## CITY SCOOP continued



### APD Crime Prevention

*Submitted By Steve Sink*

#### CHILDSAFETY ON THE INTERNET

##### Guidelines for Parents:

- Make it a family rule to never give out identifying information – home address, school name or telephone number – on public chat Web Sites or bulletin boards; and be sure you're dealing with someone that both you and your child know and trust before giving out this information via e-mail.
- Get to know the Internet and any services your child uses.
- Never allow a child to arrange a face-to-face meeting with another computer user without parental permission and supervision.
- Never respond to messages or bulletin board items that are suggestive, obscene, belligerent, threatening or make you feel uncomfortable. Encourage your children to tell you if they encounter such messages.
- Talk with your children about what they can and cannot do online.
- Check out blocking, filtering and ratings. Realize that filtering programs can't protect your child from all dangers in cyberspace. Filtering programs are not a substitute for good judgment or critical thinking. With or without filters, kids and their parents need to be Internet savvy.
- Consider keeping the computer in a family room rather than a child's bedroom.
- Get to know your children's online friends just as you get to know all of their other friends.
- National Center for Missing & Exploited Children. See also <[www.safekids.com](http://www.safekids.com)> and <[www.safeteens.com](http://www.safeteens.com)>.

##### If You Suspect a Crime:

- Albuquerque Police Department's Child Exploitation Detail at **768-2400**
- 24-hour child pornography tip line, **800 843-5678** and Cyber Tipline, <[www.cybertipline.com](http://www.cybertipline.com)>, maintained by

the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children.

- U.S. Customs Service Investigates the importation and trafficking of child pornography. Its jurisdiction includes smuggling via the Internet, **800-232-5378**.

##### For Additional Information:

- National Center for Missing & Exploited Children, Alexandria, VA, **800-843-5678**.
- Office for Victims of Crime, U.S. Department of Justice, **202-616-3585** or at <[www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc](http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc)>.
- National Coalition for the Protection of Children & Families, <[www.nationalcoalition.org](http://www.nationalcoalition.org)>.
- <[www.privacyrights.org](http://www.privacyrights.org)> "Children in Cyberspace" fact sheet.
- <[www.cyberangels.org](http://www.cyberangels.org)> includes "Internet 101, Understanding Cyberspace."

#### Emergency Services

##### Where to I Get Information on Hazards?

*Submitted by Jim Hunter,  
Emergency Manager*

One of the more informative groups is the Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Local Emergency Planning Council (LEPC). The LEPCs are established by the State Office of Emergency Management. Their mission statement reads: "To support the City of Albuquerque's and Bernalillo County's Offices of Emergency Preparedness to keep the community safe from the effects of hazardous materials in order to assure effective response to hazardous materials emergencies." Their mission is to:

- Assist local emergency management in development, training and evaluation of the Emergency Operation Center Standard Operating Procedures.
- Development of procedures for regulated facilities to provide notification to the LEPC in accordance with SARA Title III.
- Development of procedures for receiving and processing requests from the public under the Community Right-To-

Know provision of SARA Title III.

• To implement other related activities, as may be legally required by the Federal government, the State Emergency Response Commission, or the community. The LEPC meets monthly, splitting their meetings into subcommittee working groups on the even months, or full membership meetings on the odd months. Membership takes various forms – local emergency managers and first responders, public facilities and private industry that stores hazardous chemicals, neighborhood groups, military and other government representatives, public health, medical and environmental health professionals. All of its meetings are open, and membership rules are very liberal.

While the LEPC is officially charged with making sure industry both private and public, are reporting annual inventories of hazardous materials per SARA Title III, they also provide a forum to share business emergency plans with local response agencies **BEFORE** we have an incident. Reporting under Title III is essential for the citizen's to exercise their right-to-know regarding what is being stored in their city, county, or neighborhood.

Visit the following web site for more information about your LEPC and other emergency management agencies.

<<http://www.lepcabqbernco.org/>>

**To Our Readers,**  
ONC has good news to report - Dalaina Carmona, our ever faithful Administrative Assistant has gotten a promotion and moved up to the 5th floor of Plaza del Sol to work with the Residential Code team of the Planning Department. **Congratulations Dalaina!!**



**What that means for our Division is that we will be training new personnel - please bear with us during this transition time. We'll try to keep to our high standards but please understand that there will be times when we are SWAMPED!**

**Your patience and understanding are appreciated.**

## CITY SCOOP continued

### Public Works

Wastewater Utilities Division

### The Number Two Business

Household septic tanks and cesspools constitute the single largest source of ground water contamination in New Mexico according to New Mexico's Water Quality Commission. In fact, ground water contamination from septic tank waste is a growing concern nationwide. In 1992, the City of Albuquerque addressed this issue by establishing the only dump site in Albuquerque for septic tank and chemical toilet haulers.

The "dump site" for septic tank and chemical toilet companies is located inside the Southside Water Reclamation Plant. Because sewage from septic tanks is so highly concentrated some treatment plants can not handle septage in mass quantities.

Septic and chemical toilet companies in Albuquerque are required to apply and pay for a discharge permit and furnish proof of insurance. In addition, companies are charged for each load that is discharged at the dump site. Haulers must provide the City with a manifest from each source of waste that is collected, and are prohibited from discharging hazardous wastes, toxic wastes, sand, grit and grease at the septic dump site.

Septic and chemical toilet companies should never dump directly into a manhole; this is an illegal discharge. Please contact, Stuart Reeder, Industrial Waste Engineer at 873-7047 regarding illegal discharges or for a septic discharge permit in Albuquerque.

For more information on septage waste visit the New Mexico Environment Department liquid waste (septic) web page. There is some excellent information on how to properly manage this waste, and how it is affecting our state.

<http://www.nmenv.state.nm.us/fod/LiquidWaste/index.html>

### Tree Watering

Water Conservation Division

Xeriscaping is an effective, attractive way to save water on outdoor landscaping, but we need to remember to give our trees enough water to keep them strong and healthy too.

Newly planted trees should be watered at the base of the tree making sure to wet the entire root ball area. Water as often as twice a week during the first growing season. Up to two years after planting, trees should still be watered at the base, but as the diameter of the tree expands so should the wetted area around the tree. Allow the soil to dry moderately between waterings to encourage roots to go deeper.

Established trees should not be watered at the trunk. Water instead from the dripline (the edge of the tree's leaves) outward. The distance out will depend upon the size and type of the tree but as a rule of thumb, apply water in a circular band

that's at least half as wide as the distance from the trunk to the dripline.

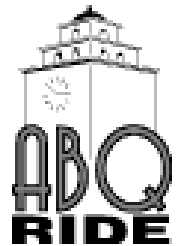
Moisten the soil two to three feet deep. Most of a tree's water-absorbing roots are in the top 12 to 24 inches of the soil.

During a drought, use your landscape water for your trees first. They take the longest to get re-established. You can grow a new lawn in one season, but replacing a large tree will take years.

Plant low water-use trees that are appropriate for our climate. Chinese Pistache, Desert Willow, Emory Oak, Golden Raintree, Netleaf Hackberry and Vitex are all good choices for the Albuquerque area.

### Transit

School days are winding down and summer is fast approaching. Make the most of your vacation. Go where you want, when you want. Get to work or recreation activities without having to park your car. Don't miss the bus!



**2004 ULTIMATE Summer Fun BUS Pass**

**MAY 1 THRU AUGUST 31**

**UNLIMITED BUS RIDES... ALL summer long!**

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## CITY SCOOP continued

### Planning

*Albuquerque Development Services*

#### Trumbull Neighborhood on the Rise

*Submitted by Ralph L. Mims*

Great things are starting to happen in the Trumbull Village area. Just recently, the much-anticipated new Ta-Lin market, located at the corner of Louisiana and Central, has opened. The new market, which is privately funded, is 30,000 square

feet with a small retail use building just to the west of the main building. The goal of the market and future businesses is to create a dense, mixed-use development featuring a unique shopping district that reflects the ethnicity of the community. The area that is called the Grand Central Marketplace will be pedestrian-oriented with wide sidewalks, plazas and increased landscaping.

In conjunction with the new marketplace, the City has recently

initiated a streetscape project along Louisiana, Central Avenue and Alcazar SE. The project will include additional landscaping, improved sidewalks, street lighting, street furniture, gateways, signage, vertical and sculpture design elements.



**Entertainment at the International Marketplace**



**Groundbreaking for the Louisiana/Central Streetscape**

#### De Anza Motor Lodge Listed in Historical Register

*Submitted by Kim Calander*

City Code Enforcement and members of Albuquerque Development Services staff recently conducted a clean-up, reboarded doors that had been broken into and changed locks on the office, restaurant and laundry at the De Anza Motor Lodge, located on Central Avenue, on Friday, May 7 in preparation for the Main Street Conference tour. The tour was a success with 45 people participating. As of April 30, the City completed a nomination process for the National Register. The De Anza is now listed on the National Register of Historic Places.



**"The Perimeter is Secure"**

#### Blue Spruce Acquired by City

*Submitted by Al Soto*

The Blue Spruce Lounge was originally built in the 1930's. This bar was a neighborhood bar for over fifty years. In the last five to ten years, the Blue Spruce became a nuisance bar. In the last few years, more and more bar patrons were injured in the area around Central and Louisiana. The City recently purchased the bar for \$1,050,000. The Blue Spruce is officially closed. The property is being fenced off and demolition bids are being sought. The City will issue a Request for Proposals for the development of the property as part of the International Marketplace redevelopment.



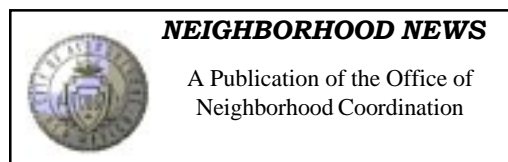
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**ONC reserves the right to edit and/or reject any submissions.**

**\*\* SUBMISSIONS ARE DUE BY  
THE 5th OF EACH MONTH \*\***



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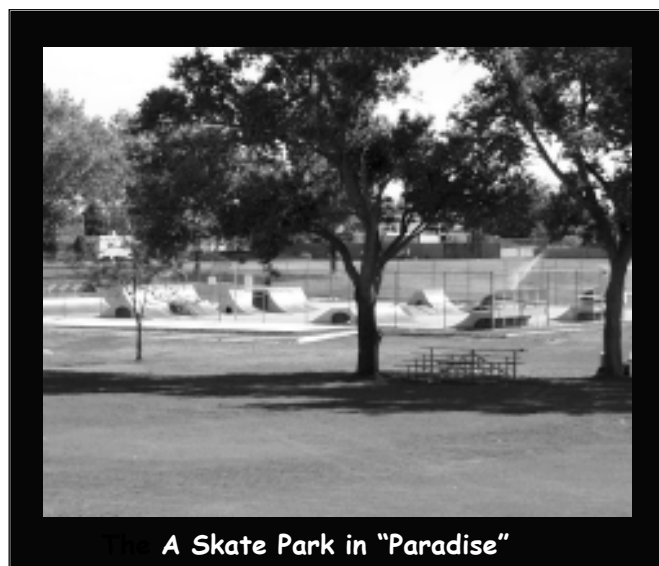
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**505-924-3911** (newsletter inquiries)  
**1-800-659-8331** (TTY)  
Fax: **505-924-3913**  
City of Albuquerque website: **[www.cabq.gov](http://www.cabq.gov)**

**Mail to:**



**A Skate Park in "Paradise"**

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